# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HOME AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:8
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2008
LTTE ACTIVITIES
Nikhil Kumar Shri

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government has taken any steps to check the spread of activities of LTTE in Southern parts of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 8 FOR 26.02.2008 REGARDING LTTE ACTIVITIES.

(a) & (b): The Government has taken various steps to check the activities of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE). The Government has declared the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) as a Terrorist Organisation under the provisions of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 as amended in 2004. A three-tier system of coastal patrolling and protection by the Indian Navy, Coast Guard and the Coastal Security Group of Tamil Nadu is operating to check possible intrusion of militants and smuggling of contraband by LTTE and elements associated with them. Further, the Union Government has approved a Coastal Security Scheme for coastal areas, including southern parts of the country, to strengthen the infrastructure for patrolling and surveillance of close coastal waters. Within the mainland, continuous vigilance is being maintained to check possible activities of the LTTE and cases are being registered under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 as amended in 2004, as also for smuggling etc. These steps have resulted in foiling attempts to smuggle explosives and other contraband materials, and also led to arrest of LTTE cadres and their associates.